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## **RKW RESIDENTIAL Adds Carlos Vilchez as Chief Operating Officer**

One of nation's fastest-growing multifamily management firms bolsters executive team with its first COO

Charlotte, NC and Miami, FL (Sept. 29, 2020) — As RKW Residential's rapid ascension to the top of the multifamily industry continues, the premier property management company is making a significant addition to its executive team with the arrival of Carlos Vilchez as RKW's Chief Operating Officer.

The Vilchez hire comes during a time when RKW's aggressive growth is receiving national attention and accolades. The company was just recognized by *Multi-Housing News* as the nation's second-fastest growing multifamily management company in the publication's 2020 rankings. RKW also recently opened its Atlanta office and plans a major expansion within the Orlando market during the fourth quarter of 2020.

Vilchez is based in RKW's Miami office. He is directly responsible for developing and delivering technology-driven services and solutions for the Accounting, Human Resources, Business Support and IT areas of the business.

"We are thrilled to welcome Carlos Vilchez to our team," RKW President Marcie Williams said. "His role enables our executive team to keep advancing RKW's strategic expansion plans while continuing to prioritize delivering exceptional operations for our clients."

Vilchez has more than two decades of business experience across multiple industries. Prior to joining RKW, he owned a consulting practice helping clients improve their operations through enhanced processes and training of employees on existing technology. He was previously an auditor at international accounting firm PwC before serving as Chief Financial Officer at several companies.

"In my first conversation with RKW's partners, it quickly became clear that the leadership group is building something special," Vilchez said. "The opportunity to join an entrepreneurial company with an unparalleled corporate culture was particularly exciting. It is an honor to become RKW's first COO, and I look forward to working closely with my new colleagues to take our growth to even greater heights."

Founded just six years ago, RKW is one of the multifamily industry's most compelling entrepreneurial success stories in recent memory.

For the third consecutive year, the *Charlotte Business Journal* recognized RKW in its annual list of the largest property management companies in the area. In the 2020 list, RKW moved up to No. 6 and notably was the top for multifamily specifically.

RKW was also recognized as one of the industry's top management companies in J Turner Research's 2020 ORA<sup>TM</sup> Power Ranking for online reputation management and in epIQ's Top 100 Management Companies list based on renter reviews and surveys from ApartmentRatings and SatisFacts.

The company appeared on the *Multi-Housing News* 2020 "Top Property Managers" list for the second consecutive year. RKW also received two of the publication's 2019 Excellence Awards, which recognize the multifamily industry's top projects, companies, transactions and individuals.

About RKW RESIDENTIAL: RKW RESIDENTIAL is an award-winning third-party multifamily property management firm headquartered in Charlotte with a regional office in Miami, Orlando, Atlanta and Raleigh. With 20,000 multifamily units under management and a growing footprint spanning six states, RKW delivers expertise in multifamily management through its technology, marketing and customer experience platforms. The firm's principals have extensive experience in multifamily investments and property management including acquisitions/dispositions, developments, lease-ups, stabilized and value-add assets. RKW is built on the foundation of its *People First Philosophy*, which prioritizes client relationships, employee satisfaction, and top-tier customer service for its residents. Through this, the firm delivers on its brand promise of "Expert People. Exceptional Places" to enhance property values and achieve success. RKW was formed out of the partnership of Rivergate Companies, a private real estate investment firm, and KW PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, one of the largest condo management companies in Florida representing more than 90,000 condo units. RKW appeared on the *Multi-Housing News* List of Top 25 Management Firms in the U.S. in 2019 and 2020 and has also received numerous regional and national awards. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.rkwresidential.com">www.rkwresidential.com</a>.